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EXERCISES THAT ADD TO THE HEIGHT.

It is worth while to some to know physical exercises that add to one's stature. One must hold one's self erect in the first place, without the least bending of the knees, which must be drawn in firmly, but held loosely.

This erectness of pose can be acquired without stiffness by practice. Draw the hips well back and throw out the chest. Carry the head high and well poised.

This pose can best be obtained by walking about the room five or ten minutes daily with something—a book, or basket—on the head. If one can balance a weight on the head while walking the movement is from the hips, instead of from the waist, which improves the gait and makes a man more thoroughbred in appearance.

Stretching is the next step—genuine, old-fashioned stretching, both early and late and often; upon retiring and during the day. Reaching up with the right arm, as though one were trying to touch the ceiling, then with the left, then with both arms, is an exercise which lengthens the line from the waist up.

Stretching makes the muscles elastic, and it helps to reduce superfluous flesh. Again, stand firmly, bend the body forward until you can touch the toes with the fingers without bending the knees. This stretches the muscles of the leg, just as certain breathing exercises and arm movements expand and loosen the chest.

Another exercise for lengthening the limbs is to swing the leg in as much of a circle as possible, pointing down with the toe, as though about to dig a hole in the floor—when your toe reaches it. This will be difficult at first, but with practice can be kept up for some time.

All these movements must be done slowly; rapid ones are of no use. Don't overdo the matter at first—no more than twice a day until the body becomes accustomed to the work.

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SICKNESS causes a loss of both time and money. You lose the time and have the expense of medical attendance, untill a double loss. This can be avoided by using some reliable remedy at the first stage of the sickness. The purchase of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy often proves a profitable investment, for, by its use at the first appearance of any unusual looseness of the bowels, a severe attack of diarrhoea or dysentery may be averted, that might otherwise compel a week's cessation from labor. Every household should have a bottle at hand. It never fails and is a sure cure for all such ailments. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS Ltd. General Agents.

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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Japan
Albatross	ship	1050	6	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	4300	10	5000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Shanghai
Albatross	crusier, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Japan
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	9000	12	13,000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Japan
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1200	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Taku
Albatross	crusier, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Foochow
Albatross	water tank and tug	350	—	300	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Amoy
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	5600	11	9000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 1st class	7550	12	10,000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Amoy
Albatross	3rd class coast defence	525	3	200	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Shanghai
Albatross	ship	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	360	—	500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Singapore
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	435	4	350	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Japan
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Mitsui
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	12,950	16	13,500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
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Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	1640	—	800	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	3600	10	9000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	180	2	800	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	ship	980	10	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	320	6	6300	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	ship	1015	6	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	3600	8	7000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	ship	835	6	650	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	ship	980	10	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	85	2	240	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	980	6	240	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	85	2	240	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	6500	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	crusier, 2nd class	5600	11	9000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	receiving ship	4650	6	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
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Albatross	crusier, 1st class	14,200	14	25,000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	coast defence gunboat	263	3	200	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	ship	980	10	1400	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	torpedo boat destroyer	320	6	2000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1000	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hongkong
Albatross	river gunboat	150	2	550	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Hankow
Albatross	river gunboat	150	2	550	Comdr. Seymour R. Erskine	Shanghai

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Miscellaneous.
Goods per Price Report Listfold un-
delivered after this date subject to
rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, May 10:—

NIGHT.—Auction of Steam Launch City

No. 10, at Yau-mut.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Jewellery, at Mr

Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

MONDAY, May 12:—

Goods per Luns unclaimed after Noon

on this date subject to rent and landing

charges.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture,

at the Residence of Mr H. Har-
house, Hartley, No. 7, Upper Rich-
mond Road.

Goods per Kung-mee Mui not cleared

after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, May 15:—

Goods per Ballantyne not cleared at 4

p.m. this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, May 16:—

9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

SATURDAY, May 17:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture,

at the Residence of Mr E. A.
Hardoon, No. 3, Century Crescent,
Kennedy Road.**BICYCLISTS**

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BIRTH.

At Ashpington House, near Totnes,
March 30, wife of J. F. Whorwood, Pe-
nang, Straits Settlements, of a Daughter.

MARRIAGES.

At Putney, April 8, F. D. GODDARD, of
Hongkong, to ADELIN EMMY THURLEIGH.
At St. George's Church, Penang, on the
23rd April, by the Revd. Frank W.
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pital, on the 1st May, of typhoid fever,
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1902.

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information from the mainland, that we
have not yet come to an end of the on-
slaught and disorder that have so long
prevailed in the province of Kwang Si.
It is none the less true that the officials,
now and for a long time, have shown
their usual inability to deal with the
difficulties that present themselves for
solution. Governor Ting is perhaps an
exception to this general statement.
Recognizing that the disturbances, if
not entirely caused by the soldiers,
have been immensely augmented by
those men who were formerly in
the government service, and that
these men were driven away mainly
because of the unfair treatment they
have received by getting less pay than
was promised and in many cases no pay
at all, Governor Ting has appealed to
Peking against So Un Ch'un, the com-
mander-in-chief, who is the man respon-
sible for these irregularities. This appeal
was sustained, and So was cashiered.
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There is no reason for believing that
there is anything political in the move-
ment, and the probability is that if the
soldiers were properly treated and their
arrears of pay paid up they would glad-
ly return to the flag. The soldiers sent
against the alleged rebels are in all prob-
ability in much the same case, and
they cannot be expected to have much
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testing against what they themselves
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cordance with fact, as the marauders have
long left. The rebels have their fast-
nesses in the mountains of Kwang Si,
and among their number are men who
know every pass and road in the pro-
vince. To clear them out of these
strongholds would be a big business.
Far better and easier would it be to pay
up the arrears due to the soldiers and
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The Murder at Singapore.
The three Cantonese who were com-
mitted for trial at the Singapore Police
Court for the murder of Mr Rutherford
were brought up before Mr Beatty on the
29th ult. for further evidence. The only
witness was a Chinese long sentence prisoner,
who said that Ah Yee was in prison
in February in default of payment of a
fine. Witness was working in prison with
Ah Yee, and whilst in his company Ah
Yee told him that there was a gentleman
in Singapore who was a very rich man—he
was Manager of the Tanjong Pagar Dock
Co. He had a large sum of money, but it
would be difficult to steal it unless he (the
Manager) was stabbed, as he was a power-
ful man. In consequence of this witness
had made a statement to the Chief Warder.
This evidence was corroborated. Prisoners
were then re-committed, pending their
trial at the Special Assizes.

HAPPY Recollections.—Visitor:—Well, my
man, what are you for? Convict.—Oh,
I'm in for a good time, lady. Visitor.—I
don't understand you. Convict.—I'm in
for kickin' me mother-in-law, lady.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.**Notes by the Way.**

The French Mail of the 7th April was
delivered in London on the 5th May.

Hongkong is not one of the Colonies
that is to benefit from Cecil Rhodes's will.

Parcel mail for Europe etc., per s.s.
Coromandel will close at 3 p.m. on Friday,
the 9th inst.

The new Japanese battleship *Mikasa*
(the largest battle-ship in the world) arrived
at Singapore on the 28th ult.

It is proposed to add thirty-six horses
to each of the six British Cavalry regiments
of the Field Army in India.

Advertising should voice the senti-
ment of the business, and that sentiment
should be as purposeful as possible.

An official notice states that the British
fleet at the Coronation Review will be
114 vessels, including 20 battleships and
27 cruisers.

The King has accepted four liners
placed at his disposal by companies for the
Coronation review: The P. and O. Com-
pany lends the *Arabia*.

The Brough Company is now in
Australia, but expects to visit Ceylon about
October, and it is probable that they will
visit the Straits and China.

A correspondent from Jessore writes
that hailstones, weighing three pounds,
fell there recently, killing a cooly, by per-
forating his tin-roofed verandah.

The Kobe Spring Regatta will be held
on the 17th inst. There are races for
Senior Four, Senior Pairs, Junior Four,
Junior Pairs, Double Sculls, Junior Sculls,
Tugboats and Tubs.

Typhoid Precautions at Penang.

The following circular has been ad-
dressed to the Heads of Departments in
Penang by the Acting Colonial Surgeon,
Dr. G. D. Freer, containing information
as to certain precautionary measures which
should be taken for the prevention of ty-
phoid fever which is prevalent in Penang.
As Singapore is likewise afflicted, the
circular should interest Singaporeans (says
the *Free Press*). In consequence of the
prevalence of typhoid fever in the town,
Heads of Departments are requested to
impress upon their subordinates the impor-
tance of observing the following precau-
tions:—

- (1.) To boil all drinking water for fifteen
minutes.
- (2.) Not to use fresh milk unless it has
been boiled for fifteen minutes, or to use
tinned milk.
- (3.) To avoid eating any uncooked
vegetables, salads and ice-creams.
- (4.) If they use ice for cooling drinks,
not to put lumps of ice into the drinks,
but to cool the drinks by placing the ice
outside the receptacle.

A Gruesome Discovery.

Police Sergeant O'Sullivan (No. 27)
had a strange experience this morning.
He held a warrant for the arrest of the
master of the lodging-house at No. 25,
Wing Kat Street, and paid a visit to the
place last night to execute it, but was
unable to make a search. A large basket in the
centre of the floor received his attention
first, as he thought his quarry might possi-
bly be concealed there. He accordingly
opened the lid and sure enough there was a
man sitting in the basket. He tapped him
on the head, and told him to get up, but,
getting no reply, he inspected closer, and
discovered that the occupant of the basket
was dead and pecked in the basket ready
for removal. Three men who were found
in the lodging-house were placed in custody
and the body was removed for medical
examination. If it is declared to be a case
of infectious disease, then will be charged
with failing to report it or with at-
tempting to remove the body without a
permit from the Sanitary Board.

Dangerous Characters.

A number of very questionable looking
characters have been loitering about Kow-
loon in company, visiting houses in the
day-time during the absence of the male
occupants. Their errand was to solicit
alms and bread, and their villainous cast
of countenance was sufficient in most
cases to obtain immediate compliance with
their request. The police were in-
formed, with the result that five members
of the gang—an Englishman, an Irishman,
a Dane, and two Chilians—were ar-
rested on a charge of begging and
having no means of subsistence. They
described themselves as seamen out of
work. As an example of the desperate
character of the man, one of the Chilians,
while being detained pending police in-
quiries at Tembusatui Police Station, drew
a whisky bottle from his pocket, and
launched it at the head of Sergeant Kerr,
who ducked in time. The accused was
fined \$12, with the alternative of six weeks
imprisonment, and the others were sent
to the house of detention.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.**Plague.**

The plague returns for the day
ended noon yesterday gave only two Chi-
nese cases. One of these was found on
the street opposite No. 221, Queen's Road
Central. The other case occurred in No.
502, Queen's Road West. The total cases
now number 60.

A Reversal of Judgment.

The people of Manitoba, four years
ago, voted for the not restricting the sale of
liquor by a majority of 9,291. They have
now turned round, finding the prohibitive
measure operated against immigration and
the liberty of foreign settlers who had
taken up their residence in the province.
It is neither liberal nor civilised to compel
a man to abstain from any article of diet
the use of which only becomes detrimental
or immoral when carried to excess.

Robbery in Broad Daylight.

The *Straits Times* of the 29th ult. re-
ports:—Mr C. S. Morison, of Borneo
Wharf, was, yesterday, the victim of a rob-
bery committed at his house, No. 10
Teluk Blangah Road, between the hours of
7 and 11.30 a.m. On his return he found
his door broken open and his boxes rifled
of every bit of clothing he had. Among
the things burgled was a set of seven man-
sion's charms fixed to a ring. It is hoped
this will lead to the capture of the thief.
Mr Morison, who lives in the same house,
lost a suit of clothes.

Scottish Vital Statistics.

Figures of the births, deaths, and mar-
riages registered in Scotland during 1901
have been issued in the 47th annual report
of the Registrar-General. During the year
the estimated population of Scotland was
4,483,880. There were 132,178 births,
80,163 deaths, and 31,360 marriages. The
births exceeded the deaths by 52,015.
With the same report is issued the report
on the vaccination of children born in Scot-
land during 1901. Of the 131,471 children
whose births were recorded in Scotland in
that year 111,487, or over 84 per cent.,
were successfully vaccinated.

Oil Fuel.

It is said that in August last, there
were 80 ocean steamers using liquid fuel,
most of them being oil-tank vessels. It is
the opinion of many people who are in-
terested in the subject of liquid fuel that
oil fuel has a great future in store. The
first test trials with oil as fuel were made
on the British steamer *Reliance* so far back
as 1878. The next was in the Caspian two
years later. Since then, its use has
developed rapidly in the Russian Mercantile
Marine, about 350 passenger steamers using
oil exclusively as fuel on the Caspian Sea
and Volga River in 1898. At the present
day, it is being used on steamers which
trade in places where the oil can be obtain-
ed cheaper than coal.

Presentations at Singapore.

A pleasant little gathering assembled
on the 26th ult. at Raffles Hotel, where
the staff of the China Mutual Life Insur-
ance Co., Ltd., met to bid 'bon voyage' to
the Singapore Manager, Mr Hankin, on
the eve of his departure for home with the
S. V. C. Coronation Contingent. After
tiffin, Dr Eden Paul, as the oldest official
present connected with the Company, pre-
sented Mr Hankin with a handsomely fitted
travelling trunk, the gift of the employees.
In very eulogistic terms, Dr Paul referred
to the progress of the Company, and Mr
Hankin's management, and also took the
opportunity of congratulating him on his
attainment of the first stripe in the military
service. Mr W. P. Miller, the Superin-
tendent of the Company, then presented
Mr Stanley Knocker, the local co-manager
of the Company, with a handsome silver
tea and coffee service, a wedding present
from the Managing Director at Shanghai.
Both gifts were suitably acknowledged.
Mr Hankin left by the *Ceylon* with the
Coronation Contingent. Mr Miller left by
the *Loos* for Hongkong.

The Late Broth Harte.

Francis Broth Harte, whose death is
announced by *Reuter*, was born at Albany,
New York, on 25th August, 1839. He is
probably best known for his 'Luck of
Roaring Camp,' but he was a prolific writer,
most of his works appearing in periodicals.
He went to California in 1854, and was suc-
cessively a miner, school-teacher, express
messenger, printer, and finally editor of a
newspaper. In 1864 he was appointed
Secretary of the United States Branch Mint
at San Francisco, holding the office until
1870. He contributed many poems and
sketches to periodicals, and in 1863, upon
the establishment of the *Oregon Monthly*,
he became its editor, and contributed to it
several notable tales and sketches. In
1869 appeared in it his humorous poem
'The Heathen Chinese,' which suddenly
made him famous. In 1871 he went to the
Eastern States, and took up his residence
first in New York, and subsequently in
Boston. He was appointed United States
Consul at Oxford in 1878, from which he
was transferred to Glasgow in March, 1880,
where he remained until July, 1885. Since
then he has resided in London.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.**'Keep it in the Family.'**

India is now supplying quinine to
South Africa, an order for 5,000 oz.
of sulphate having been placed with the
Government quinineist, Sibpur.

A Wily Timekeeper.

A Chinese time-keeper in the employ
of Messrs Riley Hargreaves was committed
for trial at Singapore on a charge of cheat-
ing. It is alleged that he put down extra
time to the workmen and appropriated the
surplus, and it is estimated that he cleared
\$789 by the transaction.

Accountant Goes to Prison.

To-day, at the Magistrate's, before Mr
Kemp, Loung Tai, accountant, Gordon
Road, was sent to prison for three months
for stealing \$425, the property of Loung
Wing Koo, rope maker, Yau-mut. It seems
that he was staying for a few days as a
friend with the complainant, and took ad-
vantage of the easy opportunity he had of
robbing him.

Powder and Shot.

An American exchange says:—Ac-
cording to a calculation made by the Naval
Bureau of Ordnance, Dewey's fleet burned
seventy-five tons of powder and hurled six-
ty-seven tons of projectiles at a total cost
of \$30,000 (gold) during the battle of Manila,
while in the Santiago fight the consump-
tion of powder by our fleet was fifty tons
and the weight of projectiles 114 tons,
while the cost was \$85,000.

A Christening Episode.

Messrs. Moet and Chandon, of
Epernay, France, makers of champagne,
are suing a rival German firm for 1,000,000
marks (about £30,000) damages for adver-
tising that 'Rheingold' wine was used for
the christening of the Kaiser's yacht, *Met-
eor*, which was recently launched in America,
whereas Moet and Chandon's champagne
was used. Miss Roosevelt, who performed
the christening ceremony, still retains the
shattered bottle which was used on the
occasion.

To Judge a River's Breadth.

It is necessary to make use only of
the eyes and the brim of a hat to measure
the width of any ordinary stream, or even
of a good-sized river, and here is the way
to do it:—Select a part of the river bank
where the grounds run back level, and,
standing at the water's edge, fix your eyes
on the opposite bank. Now, move your
hat down over your brow until the edge of
the brim is exactly on a line with the water-
line on the other side. This will give you
a visual angle that may be used on any level
surface, and if, as has been suggested, the
ground on your side of the river be flat,
you may 'lay off' a corresponding distance
on it. To do this you have only to hold
your head perfectly steady, after getting
the angle with your hat brim, supporting
your chin with your hand, if necessary, and
turn slowly around until your back is to-
wards the river. Now, take careful note
of where your hat brim cuts the level sur-
face of the ground as you look over the
latter; and from where you stand to that
point will be the width of the river—a dis-
tance that may readily be measured by
stepping. If you are careful in all these
details you can come within a few feet of
the river's width.

Another Stowaway Case.

There was another stowaway case at
the Magistrate's to-day. The steamer *Kwai-
yang* (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire), com-
manded by Captain G. Hooker, left Hong-
kong for Hilo on the 10th March last and
reached her destination four days later.

Concealed in the quartermaster's cabin
were three stowaways (Fokien men) and
owing to the close attentions of the cus-
tomers officials it was found impossible to
land them. One of the quartermasters
endeavored to obtain the connivance of
one of the Customs inspectors by offering
him a bribe of twenty dollars. Captain
Hooker was at once communicated with,
and the quartermaster was ordered to pro-
duce the stowaways which he did. The
Customs authorities took the Captain to
task over the matter and gave him the
alternative of leaving a bond of \$1,000 a
fine of \$150 and

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Bengali	French gunboat	550	—	—	Lieut. Fille	Kobe
Dagadun	French gunboat	4000	19	8000	Capt. Lefevre	Nagasaki
Chassaloup Laubat	French cruiser	3890	—	—	Capt. Du Dufour St. Luc	Hankow
Comete	French gunboat	520	—	—	Commander Lotel	Shanghai
Deceide	French gunboat	8114	14	13,500	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
D'Entrecasteaux	French cruiser	4000	14	2500	Capt. Fourrier	Saigon
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Redoubtable	French cruiser	4620	2	900	Capt. Nony	Saigon
Sigsbee	French cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Vincut	Shanghai
Surguise	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Morner	Kowloon
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Rondelet	Canton
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Nagasaki
Viper	French gunboat	1600	8	2900	Comdr. von Bassewitz	Kiautschou
Desaix	German gunboat	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Wessing
Prinz Bismarck	German gunboat	1000	8	—	Commander Hilbrand	Shanghai
Geier	German gunboat	8000	20	10,000	Capt. Pasche	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	900	20	10,000	Capt. Datzewski	Shanghai
Hertha	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Lieut.-Commander Schaner	Kobe
Titus	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Berger	Foochow
Leopold	German cruiser	6381	24	14,000	Captain Baugle	Singapore
Kaiserin Augusta	German gunboat	800	10	1500	Comdr. Dackelhardt	Shanghai
Luchs	German gunboat	1120	8	1600	Comdr. Boerner	Shanghai
Schwabe	German gunboat	1600	8	2600	Comdr. Hoffmann	Shanghai
Seedler	German cruiser	2600	24	8000	Capt. von Semper	Singapore
Thutis	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. von Mittelstadt	Hongkong
Tees	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Weiss	Shanghai
Vorwarts	German gunboat	2000	10	6843	Captain John Boot	Shanghai
Lombardia	Italian cruiser	4583	16	10,545	Captain Butti	Shanghai
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Admiral Nachimov	Russian cruiser	810	6	750	Comdr. Guntter	Vladivostok
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Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Comdr. Muraviev	Port Arthur
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